

## LADY ABERDEEN AND MISS ASQUITH WILL ARRIVE HERE TODAY

Countess and British Premier's Daughter to Visit Ambassador Bryce.

Lady Isabel Maria, Countess of Aberdeen, an earnest anti-tuberculosis worker, and Miss Violet Asquith, daughter of the prime minister of Great Britain, will arrive in Washington at 4 o'clock this afternoon from New York. They will be met at the station by the British ambassador and Mrs. Bryce, whose guests they will be at the embassy. This evening the ambassador and Mrs. Bryce will give a dinner party in honor of Miss Asquith and Lady Aberdeen, whose stay in Washington is of indefinite length, although they will not be here many days, in all probability.

No other entertainments in honor of the distinguished women are yet announced, although a large number of society folk have intimated to Mrs. Bryce, it is said, that they would like to have the honor of entertaining the Countess of Aberdeen and the daughter of the British premier.

Miss Asquith an Orator. If the time of Lady Aberdeen is spent here, as it was largely in New York, she will spend many hours in studying and learning what is being done here in the white plague war. Miss Asquith, the daughter of the prime minister, is one of the most interesting young women visitors the National Capital has known in some time. For she would be interesting even if her father were not the real-though not the titular-head of the British government. Miss Asquith is a tall, handsome young woman, vivacious of manner. Like many other English women whose families are in politics, Miss Asquith has appeared on the stump during general elections, and has pleaded effectively for the Liberal cause.

Surrogate in Sympathy. Miss Asquith has been a surrogate in sympathy, but her father's position and the attacks made upon him by the militant suffragettes of England have rendered it absolutely impossible for her to be more than a silent observer of the "votes for women" cause. The English suffragettes have attacked Mr. Asquith in season and out, and have caused him more hours in studying and learning what is being done here in the white plague war. Miss Asquith's father in this suffering is said to be reaping the harvest of seed of his own sowing, for some years ago before he became prime minister he is related to have told suffragette leaders that if they were allowed to win their cause in England, they must create more or less excitement. It is believed that both Mr. Asquith and his daughter think his advice has been carried out only too well.

## CONDITIONS HALTED WIRELESS TO PARIS

Reached Here All Right, But Atmosphere in France Wasn't Right.

The New Year call from the Arlington wireless station was not received by the Eiffel tower station in Paris, owing to "parasitic disturbances in the atmosphere." That is what the French savants say, since messages from places such as Gibraltar and Greenwich, were not caught by the big plant in Paris. The scientists in Paris say it is possible that the Arlington station may have received messages from the Eiffel tower, while their own messages failed to reach the same distance. "It is all a question of power," said one of them.

### Next to Last.

LONDON, Jan. 2.—Prince Albert, second son of King George, was sixty-fourth in merit in a class of sixty-two naval cadets. Sure evidence of the examining board's impartiality, newspapers said.

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## VETERAN ROOTER DIES IN HOSPITAL

Frank McLearen, of Alexandria, Long Follower of the Nationals, Was a Familiar Figure at Games At Park Here For Many Years.

WASHINGTON TIMES BUREAU.

Frank McLearen, a well-known resident of Alexandria, and a familiar figure at every professional baseball game in Washington, up to last year, died at the Alexandria Hospital last night at 8:10 of bright's disease, from which he has been a sufferer for more than a year.

McLearen became widely known here because of his attendance at National Park, where he was an ardent rooter. He was so original and forceful in his remarks, and his wit was so funny that the fans looked upon McLearen's rooting as one of the most interesting features of their trip to the park. His humor gained for him such a reputation that he was often invited to play real ball, and went to the top of the first division. McLearen was taken ill, and was confined to his room, and he was expected to recover and witness the winning of the pennant by the Washington team next season.

McLearen was a native of Warrenton, Va., and was fifty-five years old. He was married and had a son, who is now a resident of the corner of Duke and Henry streets.

The fire department was called out last night by a blaze at 530 South Patrick street, caused by the explosion of a gas stove.

Troops Nos. 19 and 20, of the Boy Scouts of Washington, hiked from Washington to Alexandria yesterday and paid a visit to Troop No. 1, of Alexandria. The boys created considerable notice on the way, and after visiting the places of interest about the city, made a camp on North Washington street, where they cooked their dinner in approved Scout style.

The funeral of Oswald Tutts was held this morning at 2:30 from St. Mary's Catholic Church. Services were conducted by Father L. E. Kelly, and in attendance were many of the city's prominent citizens.

Louis N. Duffey, deputy clerk of courts, will resign his position within a few days in order to take up the practice of law.

## Tennessee Legislature To Name Two Senators

NASHVILLE, Tenn., Jan. 2.—The Tennessee legislature, which is about to assemble, will be called on to elect two United States Senators, one for a short term and the other for a full term of six years.

The short-term Senator, who will serve only until March, will be the one named out of complaint, but the filling of the long-term office will be the occasion of a stiff fight. The regular members of the legislature in the legislature and consequently will have the choosing of the Senators. At present former Governor Benton McMillin appears to be the leading candidate for the long term, but he has strong opposition and the result of the contest cannot be foretold.

## "Penny Lunch Room" Feeds Poor of City

At the corner of the "penny lunch room" conducted by the Gospel Union Mission, 214 John Marshall place northwest, more than 100 men and boys were fed yesterday, while the rest of Washington, for the most part, indulged in luxury and made merry. Religious services were held throughout the day at the mission, changes of speakers, singers, and musicians being made every hour.

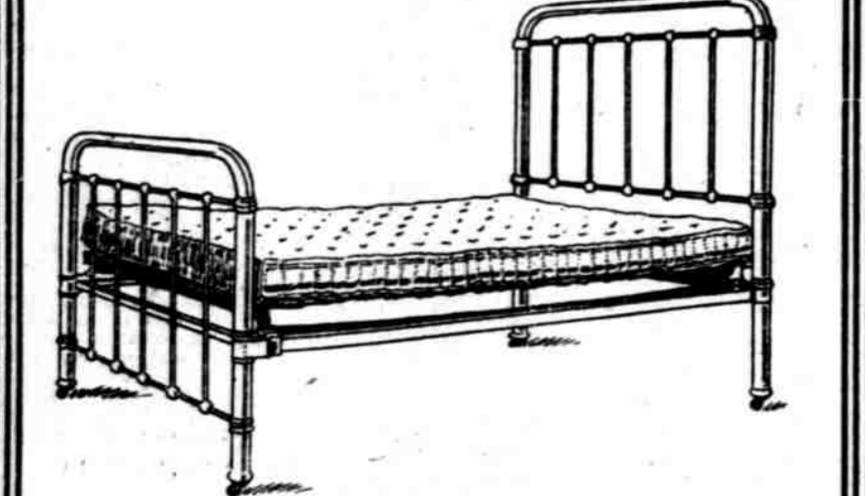
## Two Killed by Air.

QUINCY, Mass., Jan. 2.—A rush of compressed air from a leaky tank, which the wholesale granite plant of Reed & Vendrell killed Joseph Reed, a member of the firm, and his brother-in-law, Mitchell Lavote.

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## TAFT SHAKES HAND OF LITTLE GIRL'S DOLL AT RECEPTION

More Than Seven Thousand Greet President New Year Day.

President Taft's farewell New Year Day reception, the largest he has held, and the second largest in the long history of the first of the year levees at the White House, is now a matter of local social history. No less than 7,000 persons are today telling what they said to the President and what he said to them, the remarks, if more than 7,000 of the 7,000 stick to the truth, being simply "Mr. Brown" or "Mr. Jones" on the part of the President and "Mr. President" on the part of the caller at the Executive Mansion.

For while President Taft refused to end the reception until the last man, woman, and child in line had been received, the President permitted none to tarry unless he wished to converse with him or her for a second or two. The others received a cordial handshake which instantly transmuted itself into a sort of pull forward, so that the handshaker with the President found himself passing that dignity with a dignity and dispatch.

One little girl was the longest caller, in point of time, that the President and Mrs. Taft had. The little girl wished the President to shake hands with her doll, and the incident so amused and pleased the President and Mrs. Taft that they kept her in front of them some minutes, asking her name, her doll's name, her age, and what she thought of her precious mammy.

One caller unannounced by Major Rhodes, who eluded James Sloan and the other Secret Service men and who made several of the receiving party more or less nervous, and others more or less amused, was Miss Helen Taft's French poodle. While the reception was in full blast this small dog, which has a quite disproportionately large bark, ran down the staircase from the second floor, darted through the East Room, between the legs of many of those waiting in line and generally upset the gravity and dignity of the occasion.

Finally his dogship was rounded up, put in leash and returned to the second floor of the White House.

The reception, besides being the largest in four years, was as brilliant an event as the White House has known on New Year Day in a long time. Prior to the reception of the general public the various dignitaries, officials and bigwigs of the National Capital had called to pay their respects to the first citizen of Washington and America.

Some callers' minds went back yesterday to the farewell New Year reception held by Roosevelt and Cleveland. McKinley, of course, having held no "last reception" intended as such, it was recalled that a shade of gravity and seriousness marked the last time President Cleveland received the public throng. Probably because it was strongly contrasted to all that it was "the last," and possibly also because the last Democrat in the White House, prior to March 4, 1913, was engaged in a bitter struggle with Congress and prosperity did not rule the land as now.

But President Taft's final public reception was not marked nor marred by any hint of depression from vain regrets, and the President seemed the most jovial dignitary at the White House.

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